Statement

The main recommendations made by TRAI on spectrum for 3G services:

- Spectrum identified for 3G should be treated as a stand alone allocation and not as an extension of earlier spectrum allocation of 2G;
- The DOT (Government) should realize a spectrum acquisition fee from telecom service providers;
- Following spectrum has been identified for 3G services:
  - 2 x 25 MHz in 2.1 GHz band.(5 blocks of 2 x 5 MHz);
  - 2 x 2.5 MHz in 800 MHz band (2 blocks of 2 x 1.25 MHz);
  - 2 x 5 MHz in 450 MHz band (Single block of 2 x 5 MHz);
- Rural roll out obligations have been recommended as part of overall roll out obligations in a time-bound manner;
- Base price for acquisition of spectrum for 3G has been recommended as Rs. 80 crore for Delhi, Mumbai and category 'A' circles/areas; Rs. 40 crore for Chennai, Kolkata and category 'B' circles/areas; and Rs. 15 crore for category 'C' circles/areas;
- Stiff penalty for hoarding (of spectrum) and non-compliance of roll out obligations;
- The Organisation of Spectrum management needs to be strengthened.

IT park in Gulbarga

1223. SHRI K.B. SHANAPPA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to start an IT park in Gulbarga (Karnataka);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to setup a Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) Centre at Gulbarga (Karnataka).

(b) The proposal bas been approved by the Governing Council of STPI. Government of Karnataka has identified the land and the same will be allotted to STPI shortly.

(c) Does not arise.